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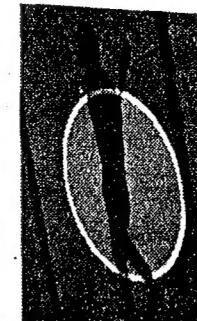
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UNO Passes Reaccreditation Test

By MARYLYNNE ZIEMBA

The seven-member team representing the North Central Association (NCA) of Colleges and Schools that visited UNO April 7-9 announced their decision to accredit UNO for another 10 years.

As part of the NCA review, which takes place every 10 years, the NCA team evaluated UNO on the basis of their evaluative criteria including: clear and publicly stated purposes which are consistent and appropriate for an institution of higher education; effective organization of human, financial and physical resources to accomplish its purposes; accomplishment of educational and other purposes, including student learning; continuation of accomplishing its purposes and strengthening educational effectiveness; and demonstration of integrity in its practices and relationships.

As part of the review, a forum was held Monday after-

noon at which students were invited to share their thoughts and concerns with the NCA team.

UNO received reaccreditation for the maximum of 10 years without any scheduled follow-up visits. Although the team sometimes gives recommendations to schools, institutions are not required to follow the team's recommendations except in unusual circumstances, according to Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs John Farr.

Before the visit, Farr, who is also coordinator of the self-study, said, "We held our first reaccreditation committee meeting in February of 1995. The nine faculty and staff members of our committee plus a number of very helpful people from across the campus prepared the self-study for the team's visit."

UNMC, Clarkson to Join Hospital, Clinic Operations

By RENEE NOVY

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents approved the proposed merger between University of Nebraska Medical Center and Clarkson Hospital April 5. This merger allows both entities to avoid a lawsuit between the two that stems from a disagreement over a 1953 agreement between the two health care providers.

During the regents' meeting, UNMC Chancellor William Berndt listed the biggest downfall of pursuing legal action against Clarkson Hospital. After litigation, UNMC might gain the right to use Clarkson Hospital, but would most likely lose the ability to use clinics affiliated with the hospital and possibly half of the physicians currently practicing at the hospital.

"[Pursuing] legal action would be like a hostile takeover," Berndt said.

Under the auspices of the settlement, Clarkson and UNMC will create a joint operating company to manage the hospital and clinic operations of both institutions.

The partnership aims to combine the health-care systems of both institutions under a single management and governance instrument.

Berndt and Clarkson President and CEO Louis W. Burgher itemized five key factors that led to the pursuit for partnership. The benefits of the partnership include securing the future of education and research, maximizing resources, improving competitiveness, enhancing clinical excellence and seizing an outstanding opportunity.

"By merging hospitals and clinical operations, Clarkson and UNMC will seize an opportunity to build a world-class health system and academic health center, while becoming a domi-

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SAFE!

The Baseball team will face Augustana once at home and once away this weekend, while the Softball team will play Mankato State today before the UNO Classic tomorrow and Sunday. See page 9.



Writer Talks of Growing Up Gay in the Midwest

By BONNIE ROSEBERRY

A towering book display served as backdrop for a man with short blonde hair sporting a gray sweatshirt decorated with a Fabulous Farm Boys insignia and the letters OUT in cornstalk green on the right arm. Purple socks and a turtleneck accented Will Fellows' casual attire, as did the blue corduroy FFA (Future Farmers of America) jacket he slipped into. Hoots and hollers rose from the predominantly gay and lesbian crowd in front of him.

The audience was a mix of various styles of dress and hair — except for an older male couple in the front row, who sported blue jeans with cowboy boots and shirts with silver collar tips, silver bolo ties, very large silver belt buckles — and farmer tans.

Fellows read biographies from his recently published book, "Farm Boys: Lives of Gay Men from the Rural Midwest," last Friday at Bor-

ders Bookstore.

Fellows began with what he called his "wonderfully corny joke" about how to spot a fabulous farm boy.

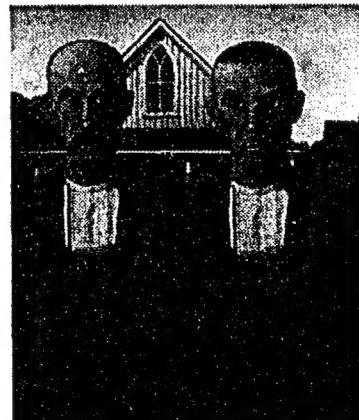
"By the way he says John Deere," he said, with "Deere" sounding like a question. The audience, about equally rural and urban, laughed good-naturedly.

As Fellows offered various examples of growing up gay, nods of understanding and appreciation went around the room.

One slouching lone man smiled when Fellows quoted James Heckman. "Often I wished I could be at my

mother's side to cook and bake and sew," Fellows read, "but in German Catholic farm families, only girls did those things." Heckman often "became the target of sissy ridicule and warnings," Fellows added.

Chuckles escaped the slouching man's



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Retiring Baker, Students Reflect

By RENEE NOVY AND MARYLYNNE ZIEMBA

When Bruce Baker began his career at this university, it was called the University of Omaha, and the year was 1960. Nearly 40 years later as he prepares to retire, Baker is leaving more than a legacy of fine teaching and a love for the writing of Willa Cather.

Baker has not only spent his years at UNO as an English professor, but has also devoted himself to UNO's Honors Program, where many students first got the chance to work with Baker in his "Reason and Research" class for honors students.

"Bruce is an especially good person to work with students in the Honors Program because not only can he relate to students, but he brings in other types of media to teach them and is able to relate all of the arts to the literature students are reading," said Honors Program Coordinator Rosalie Saltzman. "He knows how to introduce students to all aspects of the university and he truly loves teaching."

"He commented once that in his teaching career, Cather is his first love, but working with honors students is really important to

him."

Both past and present students met with colleagues and friends April 2 for a luncheon honoring Baker.

One of Baker's former students, Patrick Egger, said, "I think Dr. Baker is a very unique teacher in that he'll go to lengths other teachers won't. He doesn't just teach English, he teaches what it's like to be human and provides a good forum for students to express opinions."

Egger explained that Baker would offer tickets or discounted rates for symphony performances, art exhibits, and other arts performances.

"I came to the university a shy, quiet freshman, afraid of people who didn't have the same opinions as me. I left his class at a point where I could relate socially and functionally with different types of people with a whole new appreciation for the things that are different in life."

Chris McIvor also attended the luncheon and said, "I've never had him as an instructor but after listening to him speak, I was jealous of the students who had had him in class."



BRUCE BAKER

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frowning face when Fellows told of another man who liked to dress up like Annie Oakley with "socks for boobs."

Many of the men in Fellows' book discovered their homosexuality at a young age, or at least knew they didn't fit into the rigid gender roles. "In most cases," Fellows said, "this rigidity around gender seemed to lead some of these boys, as adolescents, or young men, to make more drastic efforts to deny or avoid their homosexuality."

The younger of the two silver-buckled farm boys, 59-year-old Harry Beckner, said he always knew he preferred other males; yet he married, had children, and taught school. He didn't "come out" until he was 47. Beckner's partner, Mark,** who celebrated his 65th birthday Friday, is also divorced and a father. Fiddling with a rainbow colored ribbon dangling from his shirt pocket he said, "I went with the social demands...I was just in the wrong place."

Beckner and his partner met in Carter Lake Park in Omaha "looking for tricks." In his book, Beckner said, "If I'd have looked for somebody high and low, I would never have found anybody as compatible."

Garrett*, a soft-spoken, 34-year-old Omahan felt his experience growing up in the city was similar. "To me it's the same; you're in the closet," he said. You have to do things in secret whether in a small town or big city. And because it isn't socially acceptable to have a same-sex partner, he added, there is no place to meet except a bar.

The isolation issue predominated in Fellows' stories and for several in the audience. Of the men Fellows interviewed, many of them felt "their isolation both hindered and helped them," he said. "On the one hand they missed out on a certain amount of social contact, information, and experience they would have had if they had been in a town or city." On the other hand, they avoided the possible ridicule of a large peer group, he added.

Jim*, an Omahan who grew up in Hastings, said isolation was the worst part of growing up gay.

Two separate lesbian couples agreed with Jim. "You think you're the only one," one said. A woman who had dated boys in high-school because it was the accepted thing to do said, "You are what your town is as much as you are your own."

One of Fellows' interviewees felt coming to terms with his homosexuality was hard to deal with, not so much because of homophobia, but because of the "absence of homosexuality in that [farm] culture."

"Not that it was frowned upon," he said, "it just didn't exist. It was never discussed."

* denotes last name has been withheld to protect privacy

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nant player in the health-care arena," Burgher said.

"The partnership joins two institutions known for their clinical excellence. The combined expertise of the two institutions will strengthen the vital education and research missions that Nebraska has come to rely on from UNMC," Berndt said.

"We both have a long-standing commitment to quality specialty care and have been focusing on the development of outstanding primary care initiatives," he said.

The instrument that will unify the directives of the two institutions will tentatively be called Medical Center Hospitals Corp. (MCHC), which will operate as a private, not-for-profit entity.

MCHC will be owned and governed equally by both the University of Nebraska and by Clarkson Regional Health Services.

The proposed agreement, while bringing some changes will keep other items working in the status quo. For example, the original 1953 agreement will remain in effect for five years and

Wrong Turns Turn Out OK For Musician, UNO Custodian

BY KIM GILFILLAN

"Changes in one's life occur, and send you sometimes down a path you didn't count on. I did not plan to be here in Omaha, Nebraska."

Listeners nod in agreement as Dwayne Wilson, UNO custodian, tells the story of his life.

"But I'm not all that disappointed in where I'm at," he added.

Eight years ago, armed with a two-year electronic repair degree, Wilson had high hopes of achieving musical dreams.

"The plan was to move to San Francisco with these two incredible musicians I met in Des Moines while going to school," Wilson said. They hoped to do studio recording work. "The degree was actually so that I could repair my musical equipment."

Beginning with the piano, Wilson is skilled in over 15 instruments, including many from the percussion and brass families. "By the time I went to the seventh grade, I had somehow managed to play more than seven instruments."

But life had another plan. Due to family circumstances, Wilson was left behind. "But they're there, having a great time working in a studio."

When he came home to Omaha, one of his best friends introduced him to Omaha's Earth Day program. "The next thing I know, I'm going to Earth Day meetings every week," he said, and has been for the past six years. There, he worked to collect recyclables to make props for the Earth Day parade.

"We have all of these wonderful people who are so artistic and creative," Wilson said. "It's just amazing how they're able to take something that is trash to someone else and turn it into a work of art, and make it possible for kids to get involved with

something while learning at the same time."

Through working to educate children about Earth Day, he decided he would like to teach some day.

But volunteer work didn't pay the bills. Through the Labor Ready employment service, Wilson reluctantly took a temporary summer custodial job at UNO — and loved it. He then accepted the full-time permanent position they offered him once classes began.

"You would think maybe that a custodian position would be kind of boring and bland," he said. "But it's completely and totally 180 degrees in the other direction."

Wilson got involved with UNO's International Students Program by playing the piano for one of their social events. He was recently asked to play again for another UNO event as well.

"This is exactly what I wanted to do," he said. "To get involved with some type of educational system where I can use my talents and be a part of something really neat."

Along with the full-time position came full-time benefits:

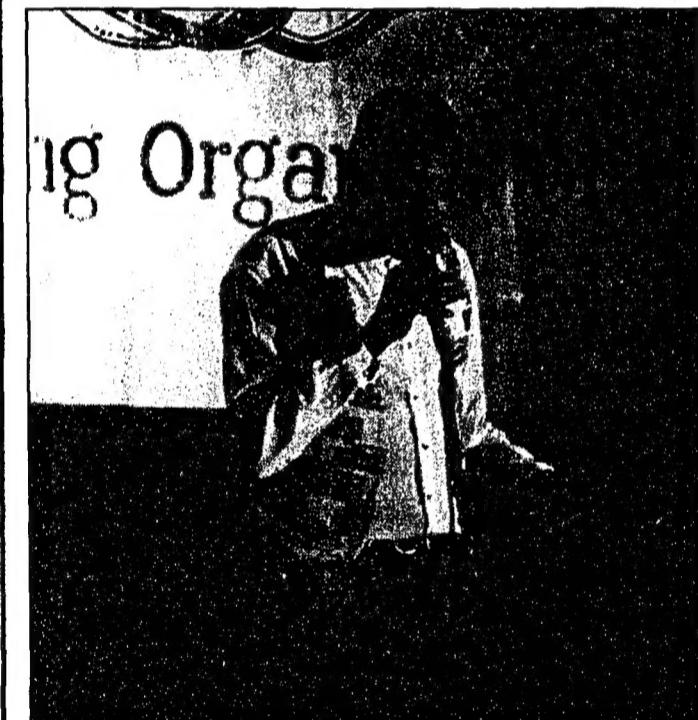
"UNO has been so kind to pay for my tuition essentially," he said. "I pay just a dollar per credit hour."

Wilson never thought the loss of one dream could create another. "This is all working out good actually, considering," he added.

With his combination of love for music and new-found love for teaching, Wilson plans to major in music education and minor in music therapy.

"This is all going to lead up to how I can get involved with the community and do something worthwhile."

The man of a thousand voices... and then some



— Steve Holland

Comedian Michael Winslow of "Police Academy" fame gives his Cheech and Chong impersonation as he tells tales of car renting in Council Bluffs. Winslow performed in the Milo Bail Student Center Tuesday night.

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Opinions & Editorials

Father May Not Know Best...But I'm Pleasantly Surprised Every Now and Then

OK, I'll be the first to admit that there are some good things about having to grow up. Actually, there's nothing wrong with growing up and maturing (unless, of course, you're afraid of it and ruining your life by avoiding the inevitable.) But there is something I'm having a hard time getting used to.

You see, I can tolerate things like insurance payments, high heating bills in the middle of January, and even unexpected car repairs. But the one thing I just can't get used to is the fact that my dad can be right.



Having a close relationship with my mom, I am used to seeking out her advice and even to the fact that she's right about 99 percent of the time. But Dad? Well, I won't say that father knows best, but I'm willing to say that he at least has a clue.

Maybe it's because I respect his opinions but don't always see eye-to-eye with him. During the last presidential elections, I would counter his "Slick Willie" comments with my own "comatose Bob Dole" comebacks. Never fully appreciating my devotion to shopping, he would sometimes see me coming in the front door with shopping bags and ask, "Now what did you buy?" with a chuckle.

But I just can't believe that Dad can be right...

"You know," he told me the other day as I was cramming for a math test, "It's really not that hard. It's just simple memorization."

Thinking about tweaking him in between the eyes with my pencil, I decided against it because I still had a few math questions I needed help with.

I'm actually pretty happy about the fact that he can figure things out so easily. When it comes down to it, I guess I'm actually glad he's right every now and then...but I don't think I will be telling him so any time soon. I don't want it to go to his head or anything.

Sure, he enjoys his occasional "correctness" (certainly not to be confused with "political correctness") and even basks in the glow of being right every now and then. But then again, I guess that's what he's gotten from hanging around me for 22 years.



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UNO Needs to Become A Capitalistic Campus

Whip out the checkbooks. The student fees here on campus have been raised again, leading me to question the sanity behind the decision-making.

According to the April 6 issue of the *Omaha World-Herald*, a full-time student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha paid \$55.75 in basic student fees for the fall semester in 1990. Next fall in 1997, a UNO student taking 15 credit hours will pay \$103.25 in student fees for the semester, an 85 percent increase for the decade.

85 percent? Where did the regents get that figure? Let's see...punch some numbers into the computer...add this to that...carry the one...yeah...there we go.

It seems like everything these days is based strictly on the numbers. Things have become so quantitative, sometimes the qualitative factors are pushed to the wayside.

One concept that always amazed me was the payment of tuition each year. It's the only service I can think of which people pre-pay for before getting any results. When you take your car in to get it fixed, do you hand over hundreds of dollars before you have your vehicle serviced? No (and, that way, the "honest" mechanic can tack on a few more "necessities"). You can't get a refund or put a hold on a check for tuition because the quality of class was subpar, or the professor didn't meet all of your academic needs.

Maybe it's time to make our campus more capitalistic. Tuition payment upon service rendered. This may make the professors uneasy, but it's an alternative way to make up for the increase in student fees. Is it viable? Of course not. It's just a heartwarming idea. (Note to my current and future professors: This does not include you).

The regent vote on this issue was 5-3. Thanks to Regents Nancy O'Brien and Drew Miller, who both opposed the increase. The other no vote, placed by Regent Chuck

Hassebrook of Walthill, was for the wrong reason. He said his no vote reflected his opposition to increased fees for athletics, especially at UNO and the University of Nebraska-Kearney.

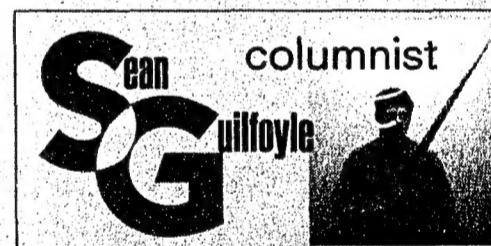
It's damn hard to conjure up university spirit on our commuter campus. The excitement amongst students during the successful season of UNO sports was something Regent Hassebrook obviously never got the chance to see. I'd like to personally invite Regent Hassebrook to a UNO football game. It might not make a difference, but maybe he could see what athletics mean to our campus.

What can we do about this student fee travesty? For once, I'd like to see our student body show some opposition to the increases. Write a letter to the editor. Contact one of the regents. We have our own liaison between the student body and the regents right here on campus. Jason Winterboer, our Student

President/Regent, is always looking for input. Let him know how you feel.

Is my opinion biased? Let's remember that student fees go toward the funding of this newspaper. I just think fees should be raised at a rate comparable to that of tuition or the cost of living, for that matter. Spending more paying more has never been the answer. Being fiscally conservative is obviously not in the vocabulary of the University of Nebraska Board of Regents. Rather than look for alternative methods to help ease the financial burden already facing students, the load is made heavier.

When making that check out next semester for tuition, don't be afraid to express your dissatisfaction. Hey, wouldn't it funny if everyone's check bounced? That's becoming more of a reality than a joke with my checking account. The increase in student fees, however, is no laughing matter.



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Letters to the Editor

Christianity Not a 'Bloodthirsty Cult'

Dear Editor:

I was alarmed when I opened the gateway this morning. When I opened it up to the letters to the editors section I read that I am part of a cult. Ron Larson tells me and all the other UNO students that Christians are a cult and that we are all, and I quote "Kinky, bloodthirsty, sick, superstitious fruit cakes, and that we are not living in the real world".

Now I know he has his opinion and I can respect that and as far as I am concerned I hope he gets saved. The problem I have is that he is blasting my God and all my Christian friends. Now I know that he didn't say Christians but I pretty sure we all knew who he was talking about.

We are not "bloodthirsty" and where he got that from I can not imagine, nor does he give any reason why he called us that. As far as a "kinky", well the Bible does use any perverseness when talking about the Virgin Mary except that an angel told her "You are with child". What about the Yin-Yang, Yin and Yang had sexual union according to myth and many religions are based on that, are they "kinky" too. "Sick" well anybody that tells little kids that there is no hope and no assurance of life after death is sick. Kids are not "threatened with burning, torture and death", but are given hope and love and told that God gave his only son to die for us. If giving kids love and hope is sick then I hope I can't be cured. I am not a "superstitious fruit cake" and I am living in the real world. I have a set belief system given in the Bible and if it is so fruity then why was this nation founders so convinced on the Ten Commandments' which were the outline for our foundation.

I have no hate towards Ron Larson, in fact I would like to meet with him and discuss this further. I guess there is the truth that I have to have faith to believe all this and yes it is arguable that Christianity is fake, but not to me and the other millions that believe with faith. You do know that it also takes faith not to believe in a God, it also would seem to me to be scary not knowing what happens when I die. I have the assurance to know that I will go to heaven if my beliefs are right but and if I am not then oh well I just die right, but what if this "bloodthirsty" cult stuff isn't a cult and I am right, where will you go MR. Larson?????????

Sincerely and with respect,
James Kavan
UNO student

'Slanderer is Ignorant, Immature'

Dear Editor:

I was sitting and quietly eating my staple lunch diet of peanut butter and jelly with a side order of potato chips when I decided to pick up the *Gateway* and start reading. I turned to the letters to the editor page and almost lost my lunch. To my horror, I saw right before my eyes my God and my religion being defamed, defaced and ripped to shreds by some ignorant wanna-be editorialist named Ron Larsen ("Another Cult in Our Midst", Tuesday, April 8).

Since when was it okay to specifically attack a person's religion or what they believe in for no more than simple pleasure? Oh, and Mr. Larsen, since when did a religion that has been around for more than 2,000 years get labeled as a cult? I found it appalling that you would even compare Jesus Christ to people like Davis Koresh, Jim Jones and Charlie Manson. I especially was horrified by your pornographic references to God and Mary. How sick are you Ron?

I realize, Mr. Larsen, that you wrote this just to make people like me angry, and congratulations goes out to you. Mr. Larsen, I am not a Buddhist, but that does not mean that first of all I don't respect people who are, and second that I go around slandering their religion and their God. I find you very ignorant and immature to do so yourself. On a more personal note, I do not go around defaming your religion, Mr. Larsen, that being devil worship. Please, Mr. Larsen, I will not go around making fun of the things that you believe in if you will do the same for me. Have some respect and keep your mouth shut. Being an education student, I can only hope that you are not one as well. People like you should be locked up from our kids. Just think if RON got a hold of your kids. Please, stay away Ron.

Eric Tighe
UNO Student
P.S. I will pray for you.

Need Computer Quality

Dear Board of Regents:

It's so nice that the student fees will be increased yet again this fall. I wish the decision would have contemplated MUCH NEEDED COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE.

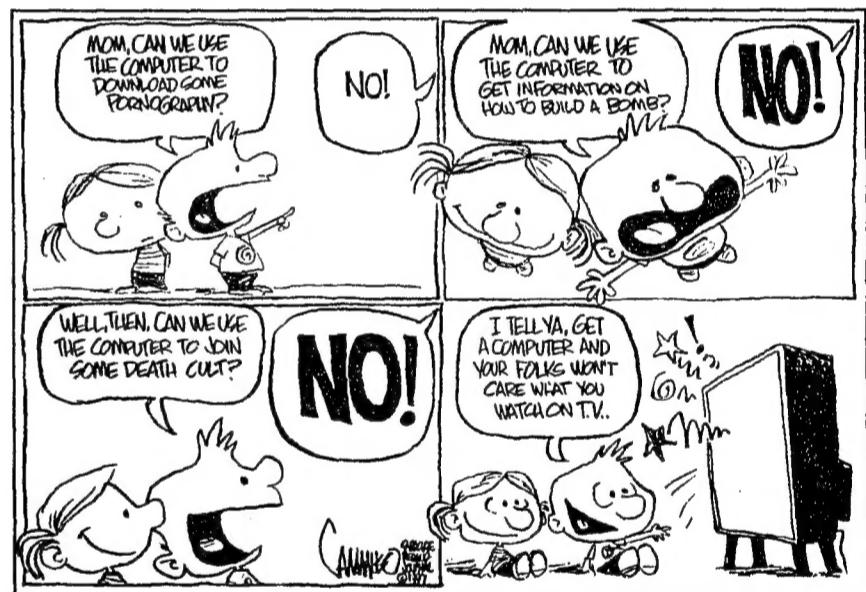
I am writing this letter on a keyboard with a bad chip, on WINDOWS 3.11, a program that is outdated by 1996 standards. How do you expect learning to occur without proper support?

Most degrees now require computer literacy courses. The students are taking courses which teach WINDOWS 95 programs and applications, but in practice (LAB) the students are using WINDOWS 3.11. These applications and programs are compatible, but the WINDOWS 95 requires much more knowledge and familiarity than 3.11, in order to maneuver quickly in various programs.

Furthermore, the businesses hiring UNO graduates are starting to expect a level of computer comfort... something old programs and poor hardware CANNOT provide. Ask the average WIN 3.11 person to switch to 95 without training (or hit and miss experience) and the person is placed into a new frontier.

I certainly hope that the fee increase WILL support UNO's computing department... purchasing newer hardware and the most current software (by the time the fees are being paid, WIN 97) for the advancement of our graduates.

Dori Miller-Settles



"Is it possible to go for 24 hours without telling a lie?"



Michelle Connaghan
Junior education/
psychology major

"Yes. But there are consequences for most people unless you are really clean."



Craig Draper
Sophomore physical
education major

"I think it is entirely possible but there are times when a small lie may be necessary."



Tia Kruger
Senior communication
major

"You can go for 24 hours. Maybe only a little white lie."



Dr. Mike Gillespie
Associate professor of
philosophy and religion

"Sure."

--photos and interviews by Pat Justice

NEWS

Study Finds Possible Food Link to Depression

BY MAGGIE FOX
Reuters Media Services

LONDON — British scientists said Friday they had found a possible nutritional link to depression, especially among women with eating disorders.

Women with a known tendency to depression who were put on a diet artificially low in the amino acid tryptophan saw a return of their symptoms within hours, Dr. Katy Smith, a psychiatrist at Oxford University, reported.

Once the volunteers started eating normally again the symptoms disappeared, she and colleagues reported in the Lancet medical journal.

Many studies have been made into the causes of depression. Current scientific evidence points to serotonin, a neurotransmitter or chemical that carries signals between brain cells. It is associated, among other things, with mood.

Smith's group set out to see if lowering intake of tryptophan, the amino acid that the body converts into serotonin, would provoke a relapse in depressive women.

They studied 15 women who had recovered from major

depression and were no longer on drugs. They were put on very low-protein diets for a day and given one of two drinks, one of them containing no tryptophan and one with.

"After drinking the tryptophan-free mixture, 10 of the 15 women experienced temporary but clinically significant depressive symptoms," they wrote.

The volunteers rated themselves for depressive symptoms and were also observed by trained staff.

Smith said she was surprised at the clear-cut results. "It was very quick — within hours, really," she said.

"The mood change was quite dramatic for those women," she added. "They were the typical symptoms of depression — low mood but also the other symptoms such as a change in amount of activity...an increase in...guilty thinking, particularly."

Blood measurements showed levels of tryptophan fell by about 75 percent among the women when they had the tryptophan-free drink. There were no changes in blood or behav-

ior when they got the drink containing tryptophan.

"It has been shown in previous studies that normal dieting does lower tryptophan to some extent," Smith said in a telephone interview.

But she said the conditions for her study were highly artificial, and not likely to be duplicated by someone on a diet. The volunteers ate only a small amount of green salad and a low-protein cracker.

"The main reason it was low in tryptophan is that there was very little of it," Smith said.

Tryptophan, an essential amino acid, is contained in almost all food containing protein, which is nearly all food.

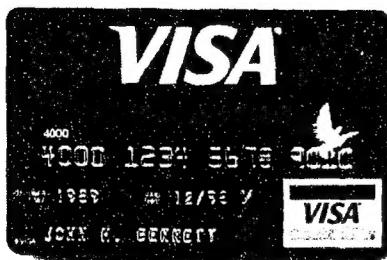
She said people fearful of depression should not rush out to buy tryptophan supplements, which are not available over-the-counter in Britain and other countries anyway.

"It's usually prescribed by specialists as an adjunct to other anti-depressive therapy," she said.

"On its own it does have mild anti-depressive effects in people who are depressed," she added. "But it may be other dietary manipulations are more helpful than taking tryptophan on its own."

However she said women with a history of eating disorders such as anorexia or bulimia, along with depression, should avoid very low-calorie diets.

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Artificial Tanning: Beauty vs. Risk

BY NICOLE GRIFFIN

The Utah Statesman / Utah State University

LOGAN, Utah—A young woman was preparing for an important upcoming event. In her attempt to look as tan as possible, she arranged several tanning sessions, all at different salons.

After her long day of tanning, the young woman was relaxing at home when she smelled something unusual, according to folklorist Jan Harold Brunvand in "Curses! Broiled Again."

When she realized it was coming from her own body, she showered, but was unable to rid herself of the smell. A few hours later, a doctor's consultation revealed that she had cooked her insides and had only a short time to live.

Although this story is considered an urban legend by folklorists, and even Brunvand admits the story's truth is sketchy at best, medical experts, including the American Academy of Dermatologists, tout the serious medical problems associated with tanning by artificial light.

The darkening of the skin by artificial light works by exposing the skin to ultraviolet radiation, according to the Tanning Fact Book distributed by ETS, Inc. Tanning Systems. These UV waves cause pigment to rise to the surface of the skin, thereby causing the "tan look."

Logan Dermatologist Bradley Summers said artificial tanning has become popular in the past years because of society. "There is this perception in society that tan skin looks better," he said. "It's the mark of a leisurely lifestyle."

Summers said this societal perception is ironic because years ago, tan skin was the sign of the working class, and to the contrary, the aristocracy prided themselves on being milky white.

According to Summers, those who frequently indulge in this new trend have two main reasons to worry about the health of their skin: skin cancer and premature aging. There's no question that tanning beds are not necessarily safe, Summers said. There is definitely skin cancer risks associated with frequent tanning, he added.

In his medical training, Summers said he saw dermatology patients who had something like tanning booth addiction. The patient's skin looked just like leather with white and brown spots, and they had prematurely aged at least 20 years, he said.

"I try to warn people when they ask about it, but they have to make their own decisions," Summers said. "People are going to do it whether they know the risks or not."

Despite these warnings, the success of the tanning industry is evident, even in Cache Valley. Ten local tanning salons provide customers with private rooms, which in addition to housing tanning beds, contain radios, rotating fans, towels and cans of spray deodorant - everything to make the tanning experience a comfortable one.

Hepatitis C: Revenge of College Parties

REUTERS MEDIA SERVICE

WASHINGTON—A panel of medical experts warns that long-ago, casual drug use is catching up with middle-aged people—who suddenly discover they have hepatitis C.

The panel, meeting at the National Institutes of Health Wednesday reported sharing needles for injection drug use—and possibly sharing straws for snorting cocaine—are major ways of spreading the disease.

Panel chairperson Dr. D.W. Powell points out hepatitis C reaches far beyond hard-core drug users. Powell, from the University of Virginia School of Medicine, says it's not unusual for someone to catch the virus from a little recreational drug use in college.

The panel estimates 4 million people in the United States have the virus although they may have no symptoms. Powell says, "I suspect a good portion of those people don't know they're infected."

Dr. Eugene Schiff from University of Miami School of Medicine says one of the most common hepatitis patients he sees is a solid citizen between 45 and 50 who has suddenly discovered that some long-ago party left a chronic infection.

Schiff, who testified before the panel, says these people often feel no symptoms and fail to notice the infection until a blood bank or a routine physical picks up signs of the virus.

Panel member Ann Williams cautions against overlooking other risk factors like multiple sex partners, multiple blood transfusions before 1990 and even borrowing a toothbrush from an infected person. "I don't think the take-home message should be, 'It's just drugs,'" says Williams of George Washington University Medical Center.

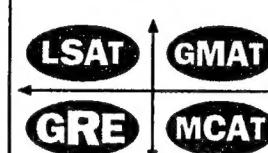
The panel recommends latex condoms for people with multiple sex partners. For households with an infected person, the panel advises against sharing razors and toothbrushes but sees no problem with sharing utensils at mealtime.

While salon clients lie in the bed, which closes over them like a clam shell, they are exposed to ultraviolet light bulbs from the top and the bottom. Sessions last anywhere from just a few minutes to a half an hour.

Stephanie Vicars, manager of Island Tan, said most of the people who come to the salon know tanning is not entirely safe. Clients are warned about the dangers associated with UV radiation to eyes and skin by posters hanging in the rooms. In addition, every customer is required to sign a release form, Vicars said. "Either they will tan in the sun or here. Both ways are harmful," she said. "That's basically proven - it's their decision to make."

When asked the ultimate reason why people tan, Summers said he thought it was because it makes people feel good. Psychologically, Vitamin D from UV radiation helps people feel better, he said.

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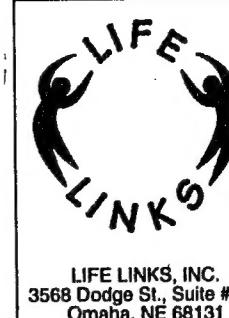
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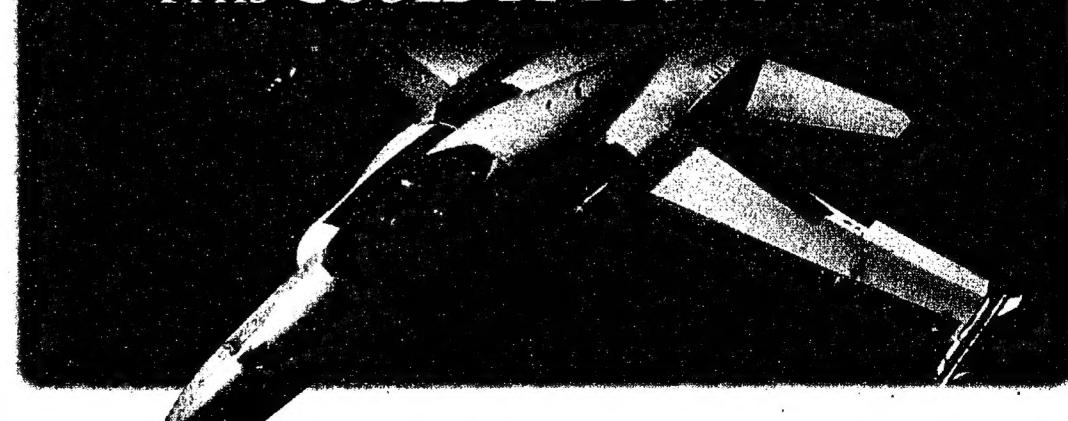
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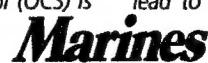
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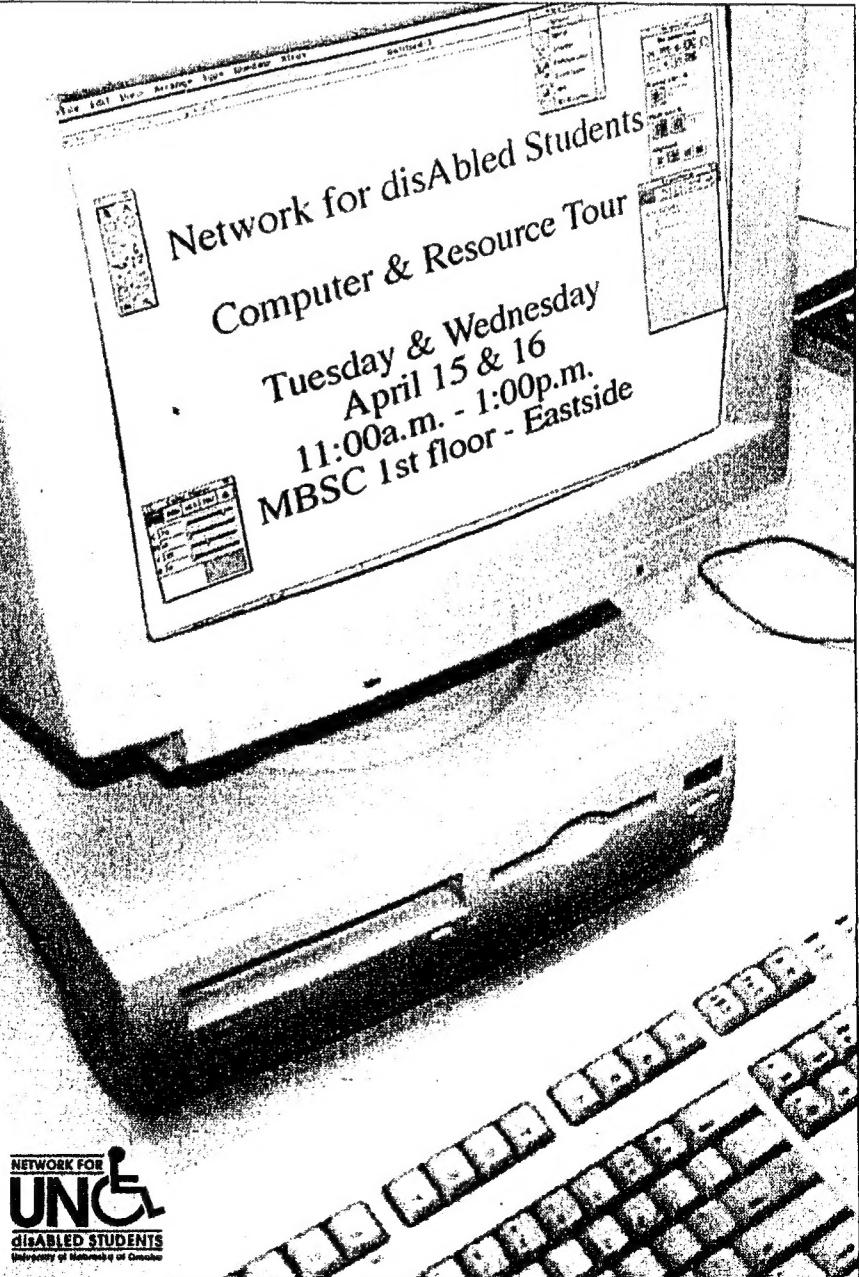
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Dear Denise...

Denise's Advice to the Footloose and the Fancy Free

BY DENISE GIAIELLE

Dear Denise,

I'm 25, single, messy, disorganized, and I don't like to drink. I can't dance, and I drive a piece of junk. Bottom line: there are seemingly no women who want to be anywhere near me. What can I do?

Hopeless

Dear Hopeless,

I'm sure you aren't hopeless. There is always hope. The first thing I think you will have to accept is: women want to change you. We view it as a challenge and we are trying to be helpful. We want to save you.

Some of the things you listed are good qualities. Not drinking and not wasting money on flashy cars are both positive. The real question is: are you happy with yourself? Do you like you?

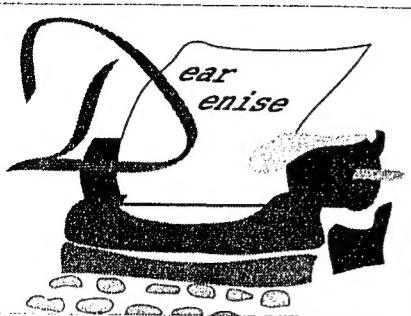
Then other people will like you. They say opposites attract. What sort of woman did you have in mind? A neat woman will probably want to change you and a messy one will just add to the disarray.

If it is any help, I love to dance but my husband doesn't. I thought I would change him and we would be dancing fools by now. We have been married 18 years and we are not dancing. The fools part is debatable, though.

So, Hopeless, my advice is to decide how much you are willing to change, what you would like to change, and be patient. There is someone out there for everyone. Good luck.

Dear Denise,

I can't decide if I should stay in Omaha after graduation where I have connections or if I should leave and find my way in the world. I would like to see other places but I wonder how



hard it is to start fresh in a new place.

Wanderer

Dear Wanderer,

I might not be the best person to ask since I have always had a wanderlust problem. Any place I see on TV or read about, I want to visit. The phrase I say most is, "I would like to go there." So, my first instinct would be to say, go.

But you sound more practical, which is good. Do you know people where you are going? It is possible to make new friends, so that is not a big concern. Do you have a job offer in another place? If you are looking for out-of-state or overseas employment, you should send out resumes, check job fairs, and visit the career center in the Milo Bail Student Center.

If you have trouble making the leap right away, you can always plan a little longer. Just because you don't move right away does not mean you can never move. Avoid falling into the "I'm settled now, I might as well stay" trap.

If you decide to stay in Omaha awhile, you can always travel. That is a good way to find another place you might like to live, too.

And remember, Wanderer, the world is getting smaller everyday. The people you love are only a plane ride away.

Denise is not a professional therapist, just a disinterested third party. If you have a problem send your letters to Dear Denise. Sorry, I can only answer letters in the paper and I get to pick which questions. Unlike letters to the editor, I do not need your real name and address, just your question. Letters can be sent to editor@gateway.unomaha.edu mailed to the Gateway(MBSC 115, Omaha, NE 68182) or dropped off in room 115 in the Student Center. Call 554-2470 if you have questions.

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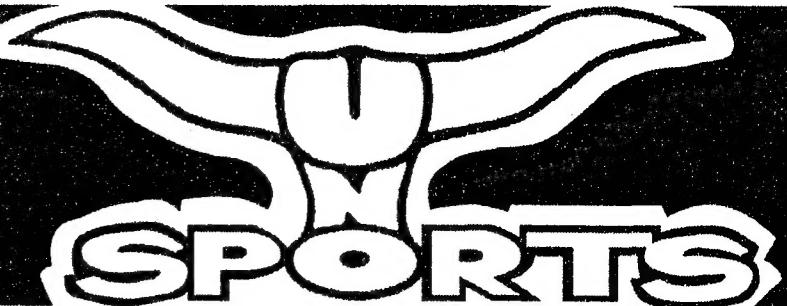
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"The weather wasn't good but we generally liked what we saw."

--Head Football Coach
Pat Behrns

Baseball Team Splits with Morningside

BY JONATHAN PELPHREY

The North Central Conference season finally got under way for the Maverick baseball team Monday when Morningside College came to town for a make-up date. The doubleheader resulted in a split for the 17-11 Mavs.

The Mavs won the first game 4-3 on the strength of a two run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning. Greg Geary and Brad Prokupek drove in the runs after Morningside had come back from a 2-0 deficit to take a 3-2 lead in the top of the seventh.

Morningside managed only five hits against UNO's Carey Schrank (2-1) while the Mavs belted nine of their own, including the game winning single by Prokupek.

The second game got off to a bad start for the Mavs as the Chiefs pounded out four runs on three hits. Kory

DeHaan and Damon Miller both hit home runs in the first inning.

That was all the offense the Chiefs would need as Nic Nelson held the Mavs to three hits and no runs. Morningside won 6-0.

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The Mavs look to solidify another win (in photo at left) as the sun begins to go down.

—Chad Greene



—Chad Greene

Sports Schedule

What	When	Where
Baseball vs. Augustana (Doubleheader)	Saturday, April 12th, 1:30p.m.	Sioux Falls, SD
Baseball vs. Augustana (Doubleheader)	Sunday, April 13th, 1:30p.m.	CWS Park
Softball vs. Mankato State (Doubleheader)	Friday, April 11th, 5/6:30p.m.	Home
Softball UNO Classic	Saturday, April 12th	Home
Wayne State Minn-Duluth Morningside	11:30a.m. 1:15p.m. 6:30p.m.	
TBA	Sunday, April 13th, TBA	
Outdoor Track	Friday-Saturday, April 11-12th, 10:00a.m.	Home

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Mav Justin Siebler (9) slides over the ball and safe into second base in a recent game.

Mav Hoopsters Sign on the Dotted Line

BY JONATHAN PELPHREY

Two recruits from Illinois have signed national letters of intent to attend UNO next fall and play basketball for the Mavericks.

Maverick Head Coach Kevin Lehman announced Wednesday that 6-3 forward Donell Ausley of Chicago and Bob Wettstein of Eureka, Ill., have both committed to the Mavs.

Ausley led his Percy Julian High School team to a 22-5 record this year while averaging 16 points, eight rebounds, four assists, and three steals per game.

Loren Jackson, an assistant coach at Percy Julian, said Ausley will be an asset to the Maverick program. "I would classify Donell as one of the best student-athletes that I've had the pleasure of coaching because of his great work ethic and family support system," Jackson said.

Wettstein averaged 21 points and 10 rebounds per game last season at Illinois Valley Community College. During high school, Wettstein averaged 17 points and 11 rebounds per game his senior season. He finished sec-

ond on Eureka's all-time scoring list.

Illinois Valley Head Coach Gerry Thornton gives Wettstein high marks. "Bob will be an immediate impact player at UNO due to his versatility and mental toughness," he said.

Ausley and Wettstein join early Mav signees Kevin Jones of Chicago and Midodji Agbogdodo of Paris, France. Agbogdodo currently plays at Iowa Western.

Lady Mavs Land One of Their Own

The women's basketball program added another player to their ranks Wednesday, signing Amy Soenen of Emmetsburg, Iowa, to a national letter of intent to attend UNO next Fall.

Soenen, a 5-foot-9-inch off-guard is her high school's career scoring leader. She averaged 20.8 points and 6.8 rebounds per game over the last two seasons and led her team to conference championships in each of those years. She was named a second team all-Iowa player for

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Mavs Practice Hard, Tickets Keep Selling

By JONATHAN PELPHREY

The Mavs' second spring scrimmage resulted in four scores, a pleased coach, and a locker room full of soaked players last Saturday.

"The weather wasn't good but we generally liked what we saw," Head Coach Pat Behrns said.

What he saw was a ground attack that resulted in 254 yards, including 71 yards on nine attempts from redshirt freshman Adam Wright. Quarterback Ed Thompson added 53 yards rushing on six attempts, including a 27-yard scamper into the endzone for a score.

Thompson also passed for 103 yards on only three completions. One of those throws went to Paul Kosel, the team's kicker for the last two seasons.

The first drive of the day resulted in a score for the offense. The drive was highlighted by a 33-yard pass from Thompson to Jenkins on the very first play.

Jared Hendershot, another of the Mav's quaterbacks, threw for two completions. One was to Jenkins for 34 yards.

Defensively, Troy Tesmer and Steve Gonzalez both had sacks. Brooks Tapp broke up two passes.

The Mavs' intrasquad game will be held on April 19.

Season Tickets Hot

UNO season tickets are selling very well so far this year, according to the Sports Information Department.

The Maverick ticket drive committee has sold 821 season tickets to UNO's five 1997 home games. The total sales of season tick-

ets last year was 801.

The tickets sales so far this year have come from existing season ticket holders. Beginning April 17, the committee will concentrate on securing new season ticket holders.

The committee has a goal of selling 1,500 season tickets.

Scrimmage Stats

Rushing

Wright	9-71
Thompson	6-53
Herdzina	9-52
McPhaull	9-39
McGill	6-26
Koory	5-21
Barrineau	2-8
Rollins	2-2
Kelly	5-minus 5
Hendershot	7-minus 13
Totals	60-254

Passing

Thompson	3-7-0	103
Hendershot	2-10-0	35
Kelly	0-0-0	0
Totals	5-17-0	138

Receiving

Jenkins	3-68
Kosel	1-53
Sullivan	1-17
Totals	5-138

Sidelines

Foul Weather Might Trip Up Tracksters

Lady Mav Track Coach Tim Hendricks said Wednesday that the UNO Invite scheduled for this Friday and Saturday was in danger of being cancelled due to the weather.

The UNO Invite is the only track event held at UNO all season.

Hendricks said North Dakota has already decided not to make the trip and another school, Northern Colorado, is expressing reservations about bringing a team.

If cancelled, the meet will likely not be rescheduled. Hendricks said that if the meet is cancelled but the weather holds, he has made plans for his team to travel to Des Moines and a track meet at Drake.

More Baseball Games Cancelled

Wednesday's doubleheader with Morningside was cancelled due to poor weather conditions. The games were scheduled to make up for missed games last weekend.

The Mavs, 17-11 on the season, will play Saturday at Augustana in Sioux Falls, S.D. The Mavs will then host Augustana on Sunday.

Softball Doubleheader Postponed

The Lady Mavs postponed their doubleheader with South Dakota State. The games were to be played Wednesday in Omaha.

The games have been rescheduled for Monday at 3:30 p.m.

UNO still has a doubleheader with Mankato State slated for Friday at 5 p.m.

Wrestler Named All-American

Maverick all-American wrestler Pat Kelley III has been selected to the GTE Academic All-America third team by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Kelley has earned a 3.52 grade point average while majoring in business.

Steffel, Titus Named To NCAA Leadership Forum

Volleyball all-American Amy Steffel and Maverick football player Ben Titus have been selected to attend the NCAA Foundation Leadership Conference.

They are among 276 student-athletes in all divisions to be selected nation-wide for the May 27-30 conference.

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the second straight year this year and has racked-up a career total of 1,494 points.

Soenen also had 4.1 steals and 2.3 assists per game her senior year while shooting 52.8 percent from the field and 70.5 percent from the free throw line.

Soenen, who said she plans to major in psychology, will fit into the program very well, according to Lady Mav Coach Cherri Mankenberg. "Amy will be a great addition to our team and our program," Mankenberg said. "She comes from an outstanding program and has been very well coached." Mankenberg said Soenen reminded her of Stacie Kaiser, one of three graduating seniors on this year's team. Kaiser was a four year letter winner. Soenen also played volleyball, softball and ran track at Emmetsburg High School.

Soenen joins two other high school players who signed letters of intent last November. Kari Kerkhoff, 6 feet 1 inch, of Manning Iowa, and Natasha Owens, 5 feet 10 inches, of Omaha North, will also join the team in the fall.

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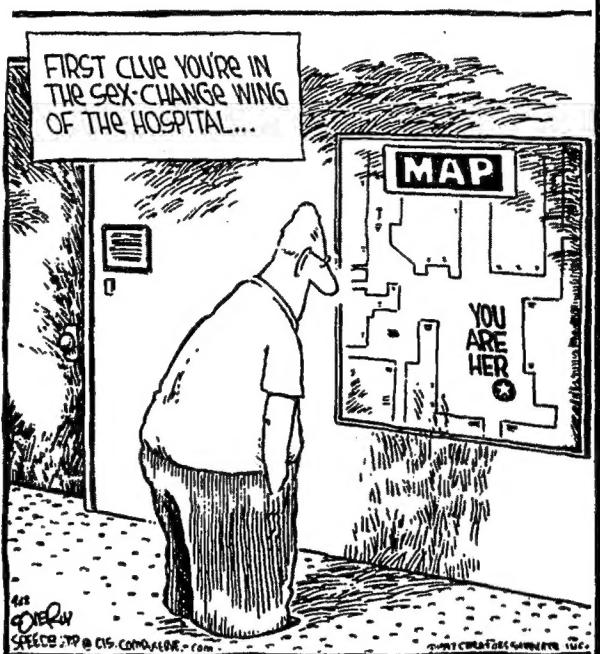
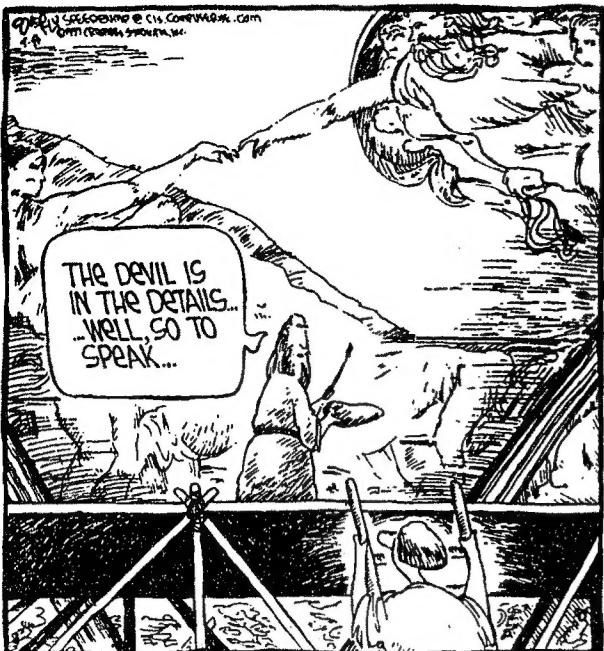
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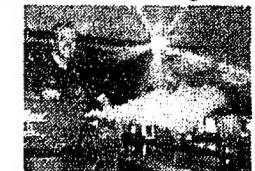
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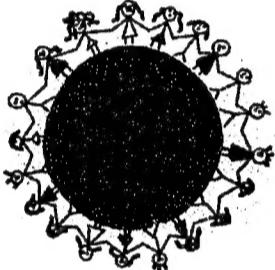
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College students seeking a unique seasonal job, flexible hours, general boat and facility operation and maintenance, working with the public, sailing and/or canoeing experience helpful. Send resume to: Omaha's Cunningham Lake Marina, 8035 Irvington Rd., Omaha, NE 68122.

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